

## Agenda Item 96

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Mr Alex Bailey  
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**Date:** 24 February 2009  
**Our Ref:** PE/DW/an  
**Your Ref:**

Dear Acting Chief Executive

### **Access Scrutiny Panel**

Under Procedural Rule 23.3, we would like to request that this letter is considered by the next Overview and Scrutiny Commission meeting on 10 March 2009.

Scrutiny Recommendation 10 of the 2006 Access Scrutiny Panel, recommended:

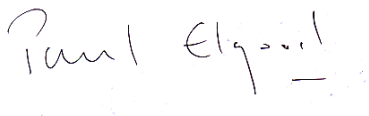
'That in consultation with sensorily-impaired people, officers give priority to achieving as wide, safe and straight access as possible in planning, licensing and enforcing all forms of street/pavement furniture and obstructions for pedestrians.

That there be a presumption in favour of a clear straight pathways in line with Department for Transport guidance on the width of footways, footpaths and pedestrian areas.'

Under OSC's remit on Equalities and Inclusion issues, we would like to request a report as to how this important scrutiny recommendation has been implemented. As you are aware the need for clear and accessible footways is a key issue for residents.

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours sincerely



Councillor Paul Elgood



Councillor David Watkins

cc: Councillor Gill Mitchell

